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bourne and Sydney.

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& WALSH, Yokohama, Lane, CRAW-  
FORD & CO.

## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 1,300,000 Dollars.

## COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.  
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County  
Bank.

## HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate  
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily  
balance.

For Fixed Deposits:  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities,  
and every description of Banking and  
Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the  
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,  
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Office of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

## NOTICE.

## ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

THE AGENCY of this BANK at Foo-  
chow will be CLOSED and WITH-  
DRAWN from 1st July next.  
CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS and Fixed  
DEPOSIT RECEIPTS will be PAID there AT  
ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or trans-  
ferred to this Branch at the Exchange of  
the Day at the option of Constituents.

GEO. O. SCOTT,  
Manager.  
Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

## COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL  
CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,  
PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:  
LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,  
MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,  
LYONS, CALCUTTA, BANGKOK,  
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:  
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed  
Deposits on Terms to be ascertained  
on application, grants Drafts and Credits on  
all parts of the World, and transacts every  
description of Banking and Exchange business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,  
Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Banks.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK  
OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are  
allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. "  
" 3 " 2 per cent. "

H. H. NELSON,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUS-  
TRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG  
grants Drafts on London and the  
Chief Commercial places in Europe and the  
East; buys and receives for collection Bills  
of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of  
Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-  
POSITS.

ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per  
annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 12 " 4 per cent. "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

## For Sale.

THE GOODWILL,  
LEASE, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES  
OF THE CENTRAL HOTEL,  
SHANGHAI—CHINA.

THIS HOTEL, which is furnished  
throughout in a very Superior Man-  
ner, has been in operation for upwards of  
34 Years, and affords an Excellent Oppor-  
tunity for an Energetic Man, or a Married  
Couple, to secure a Competency in a few  
Years. Terms, and full Particulars, can be ob-  
tained upon application to

HALL & HOLTZ,  
Shanghai.  
July 21, 1879. au21

## For Sale.

THE GOODWILL,  
LEASE, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES  
OF THE CENTRAL HOTEL,  
SHANGHAI—CHINA.

WE, the LEUNG MIN UN TONG, of  
the YOUNG YAN SUN STREET, of  
Canton, or Trade name WAN CHAI, and  
his Brothers and NEPHEWS beg to inform  
the Public that we have SOLD all our  
BUSINESS and STOCK-IN-TRADE to LEUNG  
MAN HOI and his CHILDREN; We have  
Settled all the Accounts for Several Years  
between ourselves and our Creditors.  
Hereafter MIN-UN-TONG, the original title  
of the said Firm, or WAN CHAI in English,  
together with all its Business belongs to  
said LEUNG-MAN-HOI and his CHILDREN,  
who may do any Business in the above  
mentioned Firm's name as he likes. And  
after this Date, if the Business of the  
mentioned Firm will meet with either Pro-  
sperity or Disadvantage, or any Debts for  
Goods, or any Kind of Loans, the said  
LEUNG-MAN-HOI and his CHILDREN will be  
Responsible for them, and we have no con-  
cern with the Matter. We, therefore, as a  
Proof, make this Notice to the Public.

LEUNG KEUNG.

Hongkong, August 8, 1879. au15

## For Sale.

EX American Bark "ANTIOCH"  
(Just Arrived).

1, 2, 3 and 4 inch OREGON PINE LUMBER.

S P A R S.

7 to 18 inches (in Slings) 40 to 80 ft. long.

10 to 24 " (at Partners) 80 to 96 ft. "

L. MALLORY,  
Hongkong Timber Yard,  
(Wanchai).

Hongkong, August 8, 1879. se8

## For Sale.

THE CHATMAU DE FRAUDS, a Superior  
Breakfast Claret at \$5 per Case.

A few Cases of LAFITTE.

G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, July 17, 1879.

## For Sale.

F. KLAMPERMEYER,  
186, QUEEN'S ROAD,

BEGS to inform the Public that he has  
commenced BUSINESS, as a CAFE  
and RESTAURANT Keeper, and will en-  
deavour to the best of his ability to give  
satisfaction to those who kindly give him  
their Patronage.

GERMAN SAUSAGES of all Kinds can  
be made to Order at the shortest notice,  
and of the Best Quality.

ICE CREAM at all Times in readiness,  
and can be supplied to Parties, &c.

F. KLAMPERMEYER,  
Proprietor.

Hongkong, August 4, 1879. se4

## For Sale.

JULES MUMM & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE,  
in Quarts and Pints.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

## For Sale.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI

during the Summer Months, leaving

HONGKONG on the 1st of April next, and

returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879. ap13

## For Sale.

# NEW GOODS EX RECENT ARRIVALS.

THE New Shapes in HATS.

ACME FILES, and AMBERG'S INDEXICON FILES, the latest improve-  
ments for Office use.

EXTRA FINEST ISIGNY BUTTER, New Season's Packing, L. C. & CO.'S OWN BRAND.

LAWN TENNIS.

NOTE PAPER and ENVELOPES.

TISSUE COLOURS and COLOUR

BOXES.

LETTER-SCALES.

WALKING STICKS, well selected.

NURSERY KETTLES and STANDS.

New—Portable.

MACKIE'S EXCHANGE TABLES.

SPARKLING SAUMUR, a really Good Dry Champagne at a Moderate Price, Quarts

\$10 and \$11, Pints \$1.50 and \$1.25 per case.

RUINART PERE & FILS' CHAMPAGNE, \$10 per case.

SPARKLING BURGUNDY, RECOMMENDED BY THE MEDICAL

PROFESSION FOR INVALIDS.

FINEST FRENCH PLUMS.

DRY MANZANILLA SHERRIES.

RED HEART RUM.

Specially Selected SCOTCH WHISKY.

ANGOSTURA BITTERS.

THE MULTIPLEX COPIER, a new and most valuable Invention.

CUMSHAW MIXTURE TEA (a five catty Box delivered at any address in

the United Kingdom for \$8).

MORLEY'S HOSIERY.

PARISIAN SHIRTS.

CALDEGOT'S CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS.

NEW NOVELS.

WORKS OF REFERENCE.

GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.

&c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, August 6, 1879.

## Notices of Fires.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the

## Auctions.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY, Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES of GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILLS, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to

Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON,

Solicitors, Supreme Court House,

Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1878, AND THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF 1879.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the YEAR ending December 31st 1878, and for the SIX MONTHS from January 1st to June 30th 1879; in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of the Portion of PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORs may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to October 31st next, will be adjusted by the Company and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 24, 1879.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 3% or \$2.25 Per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS held YESTERDAY, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on and after TO-MORROW (THURSDAY) the 31st Instant.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply at the OFFICE of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch. Also entire GODOWNS to be let.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1879.

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## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

BEERVOEN, German barque, Captain R. Haje.—Melters & Co.

AGNES MUIR, British ship, Capt. James Lowe.—Meyer & Co.

HAZEL HOLME, British-barque, Capt. J. Wm. Milligan.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

## Notices to Consignees.

## FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Viceroy having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Two o'clock To-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 16th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, August 8, 1879.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. P. E. I. H. O.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo per S. S. Gange, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-MORROW, the 6th Inst., at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 12th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, August 5, 1879.

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## Notices to Consignees.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtze.

AME (in diamond) Nos. 16/17, Or., 2 cases

J. .... J. Flancl, from L'don.

Ex Anadyr.

Mr Charles Bonnet, 1 case Shirts, &c.,

from Marseilles.

B & C (in diamond) Order, 150 bales Cotton, from Madras.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## FOR NEW YORK.

The Steamship "AGEAN."

Captain Stewart will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 12th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight, apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, August 11, 1879.

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## FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "NAMOA."

Capt. Westroy, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 15th Inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 11, 1879.

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## FIRST OPERATIC CONCERT

GIVEN BY

MADAME A. HIRLEMANN,

PRIMA DONNA,

and

MAESTRO HIRLEMANN,

PIANISTE COMPOSITEUR.

WEDNESDAY,

13th AUGUST, 1879,

AT THE

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

Under the Distinguished Patronage

of

MAJOR GENERAL DONOVAN,

Commanding the

TROOPS IN CHIN AND JAPAN.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Stalls or Boxes, Circle..... TWO DOLLARS.

Pit..... ONE DOLLAR.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at

Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

Hongkong, August 11, 1879.

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## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Aug. 9, Advance, Siamese barque, 336,

Ed. G. Spencer, Bangkok July 28, Ria.—

CHINESE.

Aug. 10 Tai Lee, German barque, 256,

Steht, Whampoa Aug. 9, General.—MEYER

& Co.

Aug. 10, Albay, British steamer, 866,

F. Ashton, Tamsui Aug. 5, Amoy 7, and

Swatow 9, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Aug. 10, Churruca, Spanish steamer, 397,

R. Abaroa, Manila Aug. 7, General.—

REMEDIOS & Co.

Aug. 11, Adelaide Norris, American

barque, 719, Woodward, Nagasaki July 10,

Coal.—DAMSON, BELL & Co.

Aug. 11, Egean, British steamer, 848

C. E. Stewart, Hiogo Aug. 2, and Amoy 9,

General.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Stalls or Boxes, Circle..... TWO DOLLARS.

Pit..... ONE DOLLAR.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at

Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

Hongkong, August 11, 1879.

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## DEPARTURES.

Aug. 10, Fuyau, for Canton.

10, An-lan, Chi. gunboat, for Canton.

10, Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow.

10, Conquest, for Hoothow.

10, Glengyle, for London, &c.

10, Haioong, for Amoy, &c.

10, Cassandra, for Salgon.

11, Paralos, for Amboina.

11, Benledi, for Sydney.

11, Cathay, for Shanghai.

11, Sunda, for Singapore and Bombay.

11, Pasy, for Sul.

11, Kwangtung, for Swatow.

11, Zambanga, for Manila.

11, Viceroy, for Shanghai.

11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130,

The P. & O. Co.'s steamship *India* left Suez, on July 4th, at 7 a.m., and arrived in Bombay, on July 14th, at 1.30 p.m., thus having completed the passage in 9 days 18½ hours, including all stoppages. Actual time under weigh 9 days 9 hours. In the Red Sea she experienced light winds and fair weather; from Aden to Bombay, one day calm, two days strong monsoon, and two days very moderate. This passage is the quickest on record, the mails having arrived at Bombay in sixteen days five hours after leaving London.

THE *Japan Herald* understands that it is not the intention of the P. & O. Company to withdraw from the line between Yokohama and Hongkong, even if the subsidy be withheld. A letter has been addressed to the agent of the Company at the former port signed by the banks and mercantile firms, asking the Directors to endeavour to obtain a continuance of the postal line between these two ports, which would ensure to them regularity and punctuality in the receipt and despatch of their letters, the want of which would be seriously felt when the line ceased to be a subsidized one. Our contemporary has a summary of the arguments in the letter, above referred to which has been provided by the local agent of the P. & O. Co. We shall make room for it to-morrow.

(*London and China Express*; July 4.)

Mr Hippolyte Nicaise, late Consul for Belgium at Hongkong, has been appointed Consul-General in Asia Minor, with residence at Beyrouth. The King, by whom he has been received in private audience, has made him a Knight of the Order of Leopold.

The captain of the steamship *Altona*, which vessel formerly belonged to Mr. William Pustan, of Hongkong, has arrived here (Hamburg, July 1). The vessel was sold for £9,000 (the building price was £20,000), and the captain had to lose several months' wages due to him. The crew were paid in full.

The Russian man-of-war *Haydomak*, C. Giroff commander, has arrived at Kiel from China, after an absence of fully six years. The vessel has been visited by the Russian Consul, and by the naval authorities at Kiel, and is to leave to-day (July 1) for Cronstadt.

Letters from Professor Nordenskjold, on board the Swedish Arctic Exploring steamer *Vega*, have reached Sweden. The extracts from their contents already published some weeks ago are incorrect, inasmuch that the energetic and gallant explorer has not expressed any hope of getting free from the ice in May, but only by the commencement of July. He hopes to reach Japan in August. The fears about the safety of the expedition, which have again arisen of late, may therefore be regarded as unfounded.

An application was made, on the 30th ultimo, in the High Court of Justice Queen's Bench division, before Mr Justice Lush and Mr Justice Manisty, in the case of *Provost v. Langton* and another. This was an action by a firm of cotton merchants trading with China against the firm of Langton and Riley, manufacturers at Manchester, to recover damages for loss they had sustained through the discolouration of certain shipments of grey shirtings while in course of transit to Shanghai. The question raised was whether the shirtings were stained and discoloured from mildew caused by the size used in the manufacture or by the salt in the package. The plaintiff's case was that it was caused by the size, and the defendants' that it was caused by the salt used in the packing working through the packages. The trial took place in January last before the Lord Chief Baron, and lasted seven days. The jury found for the plaintiff, damages £1,500. An application, however, was subsequently made on the part of the defendants for a new trial, on the ground that the verdict was against evidence and proceeded on mistaken view of the facts, and the application had been granted conditionally on being shown on the other side against it. The case was to have been argued this week, but, owing to the pressure of business in the Courts, it has been postponed until the November sittings.

The Russian clipper corvette *Vladivostok*, Captain Novossilski, which anchored outside Portsmouth Harbour on the 27th ult., on her homeward route from the China station, has been the scene of unusual international courtesies. Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar expressed his intention of paying an official visit in State to the captain and officers. Accordingly the Prince, accompanied by his brother, Prince Gustave, and attended by his staff, proceeded to Ryde Pier, where the party was received by Mr. Thomas M'Cheane, the Russian Vice-Consul at Portsmouth, and lieutenant of the corvette. On going on board, the Prince and suite were received by Captain Novossilski and the officers, the band playing the National Anthem. The men were drawn up on the deck, and his Royal Highness proceeded to make a careful examination of the ship and her crew, expressing himself in the end very much pleased with all he saw, especially noticing the cleanliness of everything on board. While this was passing on board the *Vladivostok*, Admiral Fanshawe had been paying a visit to the American frigate *Trenton*, lying at Spithead, on leaving which he proceeded to the Russian corvette, and there joined the Prince and party. On the Prince's leaving with the Admiral, in the latter's yacht, the *Fire Queen*, the yards of the corvette were manned, a salute of fifteen guns was fired, and a second salute of seventeen guns in honour of Admiral Fanshawe. Captain Novossilski and his officers were subsequently entertained at luncheon by Dr. Barrow, the Mayor of Ryde, and on the 28th ult. the Russian corvette weighed anchor and proceeded to Cronstadt.

One of the most thoroughly representative assemblies ever held by the Royal Colonial Institute was the annual *conversazione*, which took place on the 27th ult., in the South Kensington Museum, the Prince and Princess of Wales being present. The Private Audience Chamber, or Diwan Khas, of the Palace of Albar, in the Architectural Court, served for the reception room, and among the visitors present during the evening there were colonists from South Africa, the Gold Coast, the West Indies, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Canada, several native Indian gentlemen, and some Japanese gentlemen and ladies, and the following representative names:—The Duke of Münster (the President), the Duchess of Manchester, Lady Mandeville, the Marquis of Hartington, Lord Colville of Culross, the Marquis Tseng and other members of the Chinese Legation, Sir Theophilus Shepperton, Sir Henry Berkley and Lady

Barkly, Sir C. Stirling, Sir John Rose, Sir Julius Vogel, Sir Charles Michelson, Sir C. Dantinsey, Colonel Gzowski, Sir Philip Cunliffe Owen, Mr. W. E. Forster, M.P., Admiral Milne, Mr. Donald Currie, C.B., and Mr. F. Young (the hon. secretary).

#### SUICIDE BY A CHINAMAN.

##### INQUEST.

An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon on the body of a Chinese male named To Achin, O. V. Creagh, Esq., Coroner, Messrs. A. V. Vaucher, Philip Page and Geraldine Redfearn forming the jury. The following evidence was taken:—

Dr. Wharry.—The body of deceased was brought to the Hospital about two o'clock yesterday morning; it had been dead about twenty-four hours; it is that of a Chinese male about thirty years of age, fairly nourished. There were eruptions of itch on various parts of the body, and the mark of a constriction round the front of the neck; death appeared to have resulted from strangulation; the mark might have been made with the cloth produced.

In A Hung.—I am cook in the Tung Cheong Carpenter shop in Wellington Street. The deceased was a carpenter in that shop; he was about 47 years of age. He had only been working there for about one month, having been ill for the past twenty days; he did not do any work during his illness. At 10 p.m. on the 9th inst., I saw the deceased in bed in his usual place; when I got up next morning he was hanging from the beam of the cook-loft, one end of the cloth in Court was tied round the beam the other end round deceased's neck.

Mr. J. M. Emanuel, who saw the affair from beginning to end, said that from his verandah he saw the crew of a cargo boat throwing things at the crew of a brick boat, who, after a little while began to make things warm, brickbats flying about in all directions; two women on the cargo boat appeared to be very busy in the scuffle. Defendants admitted having had a free fight.

First and second defendants were fined \$1.50 each or four days' hard labor, the remainder \$1 each or three days.

##### ANOTHER OF THE SAME.

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##### A FITTED BATTLE.

Tam Awi and Tam Ayuk, blacksmiths, while dragging a truck along the Queen's Road this morning at a rapid rate, opposite the British Inn ran into a street chair, damaging it considerably. The owners of the chair, on asking compensation, were attacked by the blacksmiths, and a free fight ensued, the sons of Vulcan getting decidedly the worst of it. They then went off, returning in about half an hour with a dozen or so of their friends, and "went for" the chair coolies, chasing them into Mr. Wohler's premises and beating them. As they continued making a great disturbance in front of Mr. Wohler's door, and had struck one of his own coolies, he gave them in charge.

First defendant said that he accidentally ran his truck into the chair and the coolies beat him, so went for his friends to help him. Second defendant made a similar statement.

Fined \$2 each or ten days' and ordered to be exposed in the stocks for two hours at the scene of the offence.

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We hear that Mr. P. G. von Möllendorf, who has been officiating as German Assessor at the Mixed Court since the departure of J. Haas, Esq., for Home, has at last left Shanghai to fill an important position in the German Consular service in the North. Mr. Möllendorf, in taking leave of the officials at the Mixed Court, was warmly thanked by the Superintendent and Inspectors of the Municipal Police for the valuable assistance he had rendered them, as Assessor, in the execution of their duties, a most material part of which is to endeavour to obtain adequate punishment of native criminals, which, of course, mainly depends on the firmness of the foreign Assessors.

The cross-sections of the *Emma v. Goolwa* and the *Goolwa v. Emma*, which were heard conjointly in H. M.'s Supreme Court in September last, will still be in the recollection of our readers. It may, however, be stated that on the morning of the 1st August, 187



STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MED-  
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-  
AMPTON, AND LONDON;

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
KAISER I-HIND, Captain R. M. STEPHENS,  
will leave this on TUESDAY, the 12th  
August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. McIVER, Superintendent,  
Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

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THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF  
TOKIO, will be despatched for San  
Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY,  
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engers, and Freight, for Japan, the United  
States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-  
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and  
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
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connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to  
England, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES to EUROPE,  
a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER  
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OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND  
CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m., the 17th August. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's  
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 4, 1879.

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE,  
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT  
SAID, NAPLES, AND  
MARSEILLES;

ALSO,  
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA  
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 19th August, 1879,  
at Noon, the Company's S. S.  
ANADYR, Commandant LE BOISSEUL  
BARON, with MAILED, PASSENGERS,  
SPOON, and CARGO, will leave this Port  
for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for  
the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on  
the 18th August, 1879. (Parcels are not  
to be sent on board; they must be left  
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 6, 1879.

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CENTRAL

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ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIC will be despatched  
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Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central  
and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
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A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-  
SENGER TICKETS.

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H. M. BLANCHARD,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, August 1, 1879.

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### Intimations.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSO-  
CIATION.

### NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agree-  
ment, the Directors have declared a  
DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for  
the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st Decem-  
ber 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT.  
or the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED,  
payable at our OFFICE on and after the  
15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in  
particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EX-  
CHANGE.

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS in MARINE  
House, Queen's Road Central, are  
Open Daily for the use of MEMBERS from  
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Special Days—TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS,  
from 12 to 12.30 and 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Applications for admission as Members  
to be addressed to

E. GEORGE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, June 18, 1879.

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and  
China for the Sale of their LEAD by the  
MECHERNICK MINING SOCIETY.

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Hongkong, June 27, 1879.

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ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, Books, or  
PAPERS will be thankfully received  
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Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

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Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

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Hongkong, April 29, 1879.

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INSURANCES granted on MARINE  
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Current Rates. Considerable Reduction  
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J. BRADLEE SMITH,

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